

## **Doc. D1. 7XX Linking fields**

### **Implementing link display text subfield \$i**

Subfield i (Display text) was added years ago (around 1998) to linking entry fields 760-777 and 786-787, although not to fields 780 or 785 but it couldn't be used until subfield \$8 was also added in order to suppress the existing display constants. Second indicator value 8 (No display constant generated) has now been defined and implemented but nothing has been added to the CEG. Subfield \$I allows for a customized linking entry note to be generated by setting the second indicator to 8, so the display constant does not display, and inputting in subfield i the desired text that should display with the other information in the linking entry field (similar to its use in field 246).

#### **★ Questions:**

- OCLC has implemented linking entry field subfield \$I and it will be added to CEG in next update. Is there anyone in CONSER whose system cannot make use of the subfield?
- In new cataloging, where either 580/530 + link field or a link field with display text works equally well, what should CONSER's policy be for preferring one or the other?
  - Generally use link with display text?
  - Use either, with both accepted equally by CONSER?
- What are circumstances where 580/530 must or may still be used?
  - Optional data provided with 780 or 785
  - Same relationship applies to multiple publications
  - Details of original publication noted on record for reprint
  - Related publication(s) cannot be named, because not accurately known or too numerous
  - Other?
- What should CONSER catalogers do when encountering 580/530 notes in existing records that could now be expressed by display texts in linking entry fields?
  - Generally leave as is?
  - Change when doing so solves a problem, e.g., when there are record length problems?
  - Change whenever updating a record for some other reason?
  - Change is optional

Examples:

775 1# \$i Also published in a quarterly edition: \$t Client characteristic &  
population movement report for quarter ... Probation subsidy \$w  
(OCoLC)1258055

787 1# \$i Guide to the microfiche collection: \$t Phonefiche \$w (OCoLC)3636262

772 08\$i Vol. 3- issued as a supplement to: \$t Oregon law review \$w  
(OCoLC)1761423